REMARKS

In the Office Action dated June 4, 2007, the Examiner objects to claims 15 through 20. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection in view of the following Remarks.

Applicants would like to thank Examiner Lewis for indicating on page 2 of the Non-Final Office Action dated June 4, 2007 that claims 1 through 14 and 21 through 23 are allowed. Although Examiner Lewis has properly indicated claims 1 through 14 and 21 through 23 are allowed on page 2 of the Non-Final Office Action, the Examiner has mistakenly indicated the claims as being rejected on form PTOL-326. Thus, Applicants respectfully request the typographical error be corrected to indicate claims 1 through 14 and 21 through 23 are allowed.

Independent claim 15 is objected to for failing to comprise claim elements consistent with independent claims 1 and 21. Accordingly, independent claim 15 is amended recite "storing the histogram vector on a data store accessible by a processor."

Thus, claim 15 is amended to include elements that are consistent with independent claims 1 and 21. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection.

Because claims 16 through 20 depend from independent claim 15 (and therefore include all of the elements of claim 15), it is respectfully submitted that these claims are also allowable for at least the same reasons.

For at least all of the above reasons, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw all rejections and objections, and allowance of all the pending claims is respectfully solicited. To expedite prosecution of this application to allowance, the examiner is invited to call the Applicants' undersigned representative to discuss any issues relating to this application.

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